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**From:** Smalley, Bryant  
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**To:** R6 Response Notify  
**Subject:** Tropical Storm Harvey Update

Below is an update on EPA Planning and Preparation for Tropical Storm Harvey. National Weather Service is now Forecasting Harvey will be a Category 3 Hurricane. Currently FEMA has not Activated EPA.

- -The Region 6 EOC is currently Activated to a Level III (Minimum Activation). Coordination with Federal, State and Local Stakeholders.
  - Coordination with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). The State of Texas Emergency Operations Center (SOC) is now planning for a Category 3 event, including Historic Rainfall.
    - TCEQ requested EPA Region 6 to provide assistance with NDOW/Response Manager to support preparation activities related to Tropical Storm Harvey. EPA will support this request through the NDOW workgroup. The current request is for contractor support for Response Manager and possibly one OSC at the US Coast Guard (USCG) Corpus Christi Sector Incident Management Team (IMT) Command in Robstown, TX. The request is to provide Just-in-Time training on the NDOW Rapid Needs Assessment (RNA) forms, and to set up and manage Response Manager for potential post storm operations.
  - The EPA Region 6 Emergency Operations Center (REOC) is leaning forward, reviewing SOPs and pre-landfall activities.
  - Region 6 EOC is currently coordinating with USCG District 8
  - Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) has requested EPA populate Response Manager in preparation for potential activities. EPA is providing that assistance.
- Region 6 Management Division has been alerted in case the EPA REOC facility is stood up over the weekend, and there is a need for support such as Air Conditioning.
- Region 6 Water Division has identified a point person and contacts for this event.
- The REOC has scheduled a Staff Regional Incident Coordination Team (S-RICT) call for Thursday 8/24 to review standard procedures.
- OSC availability has been determined for potential deployment. Region 6 is checking equipment and inventory in preparation for potential activation.
- Region 6 Incident Management Team (IMT) members have been put on alert.
- The EPA aerial assessment aircraft (ASPECT), has been alerted for Awareness level.

Updates will be provided as they become available.



# FEMA REGION 6 WATCH AWARENESS REPORT # 1 TS Harvey



## BOTTOM LINE UP FRONT:

- TS Harvey is moving to the north-northwest at 10 mph and rapidly strengthening. Harvey is forecasted to be a major hurricane with wind speeds of 115 mph before it reaches the middle Texas coast on Friday into Saturday

## SITUATION:

- There are storm surge warnings/watches, tropical storm warning, and hurricane warning/watch from the Mouth of the Rio Grande to north of San Luis Pass
- TS Harvey is expected to produce total rain accumulations of 12 to 20 inches and isolated maximum amounts of 30 inches with life-threatening storm surge and freshwater flooding is expected
- Isolated tornadoes and hurricane force winds are also possible as Harvey impacts the Texas coast

## ACTIONS/FOLLOW UP:

- R6 RRCC SAS Section will continue to monitor and report as necessary

## SOURCE OF INFORMATION:

- National Hurricane Center

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R6 Situation Map